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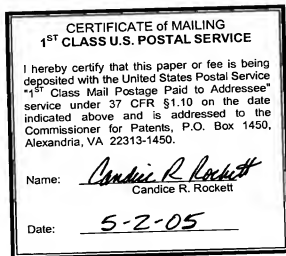
In re Application of: Shilin Chen
Serial No.: 10/766,494
Filing Date: January 28, 2004
Confirmation No.: 3485
Group Art Unit: 3672
Title:

**ROLLER-CONE BITS, SYSTEMS, DRILLING
METHODS, AND DESIGN METHODS WITH
OPTIMIZATION OF TOOTH ORIENTATION**

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REQUEST FOR STATUS

Please advise the status of the above-identified patent application. The Filing Receipt was received August 10, 2004. Applicant is currently awaiting a first Office Action.

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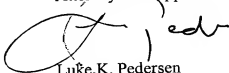
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REMARKS

Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1), it has been over fourteen months since the filing date of this Application and a Notification under 35 U.S.C. § 132 has not been received. Thus, a period of adjustment of patent term due to examination delay is accruing in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1).

If there are any matters that can be cleared up through a telephone conversation, please contact the undersigned attorney for Applicant at the telephone number listed below.

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